

Killer policeman dismissed

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The Katsina State Police Commissioner, Alhaji Ibrahim Mohammed, yesterday dismissed a sergeant, Abdullahi Tanko, for killing an innocent man in Katsina.

The policeman allegedly shot dead one Najibu Direba and injured two others, including a woman yesterday.

The News Agency of Nigeria (NAN) reports that the incident occurred in Kofar Marusa area of Katsina metropolis at about 11.00 am when a police patrol team attempted to arrest some drug addicts.

The patrol team which failed in their mission started harassing people in area.

Consequently, the resistant of youth to the harassment provoked the policeman who opened fire indiscriminately.

Najibu died instantly and other victims were rushed to Katsina General Hospital.

The commissioner of police said: “We did not send patrol team to arrest anybody at Kofar Marusa, they went there illegally, I therefore dismiss the policeman as you can see him in handcuff, while the remaining members of the team will be punished.”

He said the affected policeman would be charged to court tomorrow.